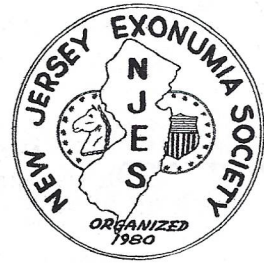
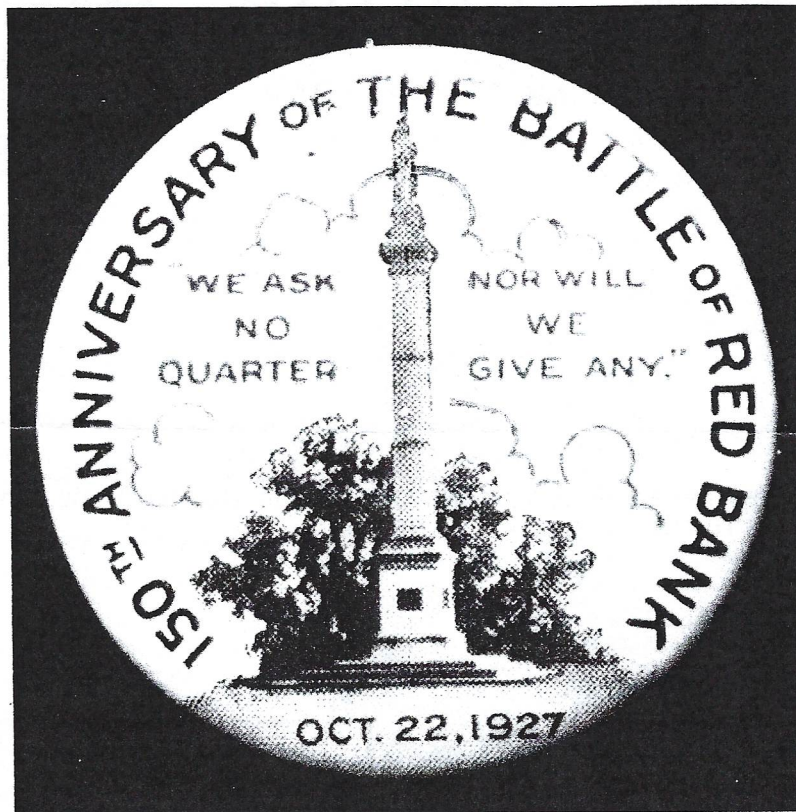


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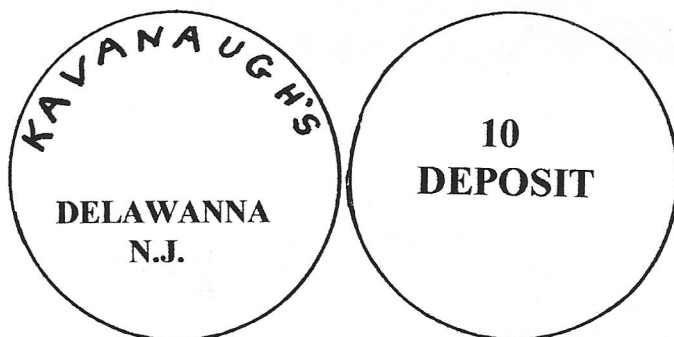
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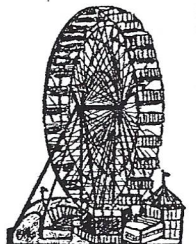


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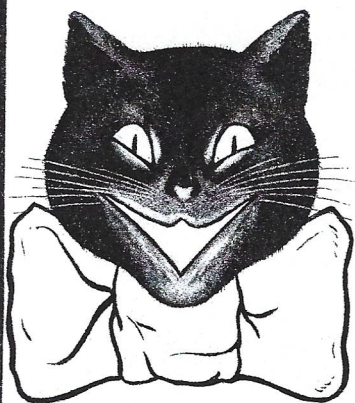
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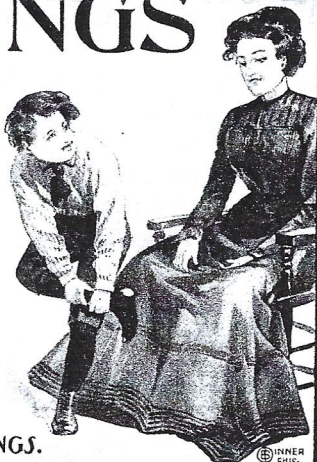
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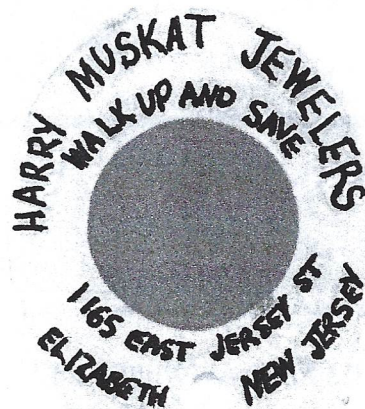
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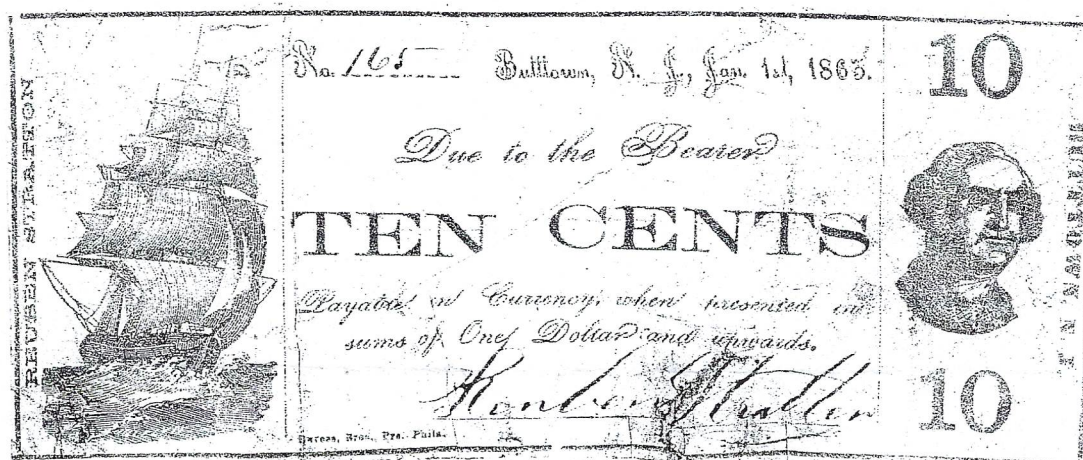
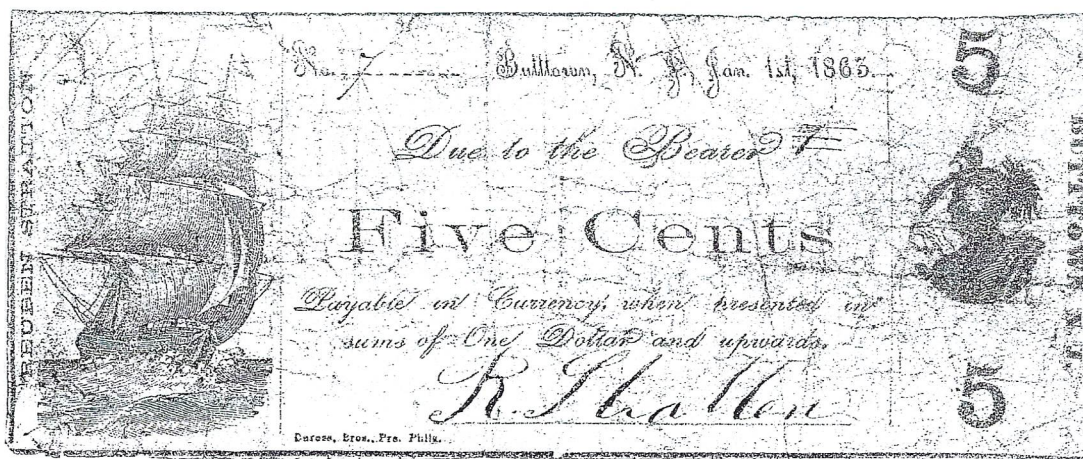
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DEAD LINE FOR NEXT ISSUE IS JUNE 20TH.

N.J. ENCASED CENT UP-DATE

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The rare .05 and .10 Civil War scrip notes of tailor Reuben Stratton
 "Butttown" is a printer's error for Buddtown in Burlington County

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BUTT OUR TOWN IS BUDDTOWN

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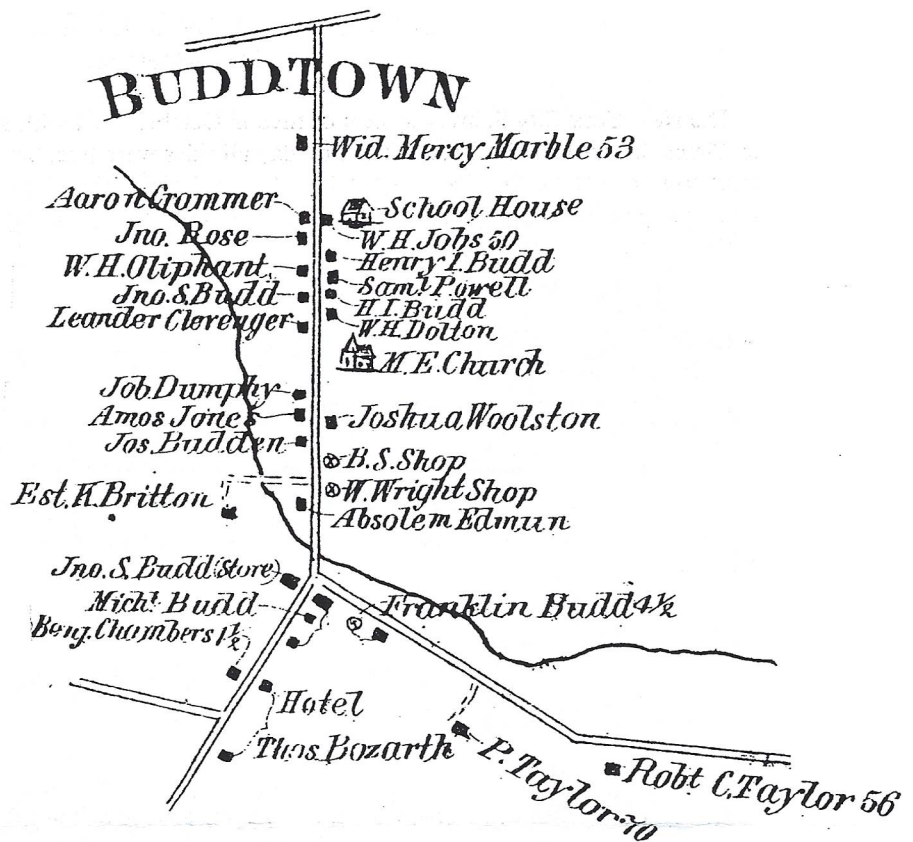
We New Jerseyans have to put up with our state being the butt of many jokes. It doesn't stop. Joe Pesce and Robert DeNiro just added a new one to the string with their entry in the state slogan contest: "New Jersey: You got a problem with that?"

So I decided to check out these red lithographed notes from "Butttown, N. J." Were they yet another joke, or for real? Who was Reuben Stratton and where was "Butttown"?

The answer is found in Woodward's History of Burlington County, published in 1883. There it is stated that about 1860, "a store adjoining the Methodist Church was started and carried on by Reuben Stratton" in Buddtown, a village of about 150

inhabitants, situated in Southampton Township, Burlington County, on Stop the Jade Creek, a tributary of Rancocas Creek. (Tradition holds that the creek's name comes from farmers chasing a wild horse or "jade" down the stream calling "Stop the jade!")

Buddtown hasn't changed much in the 143 years since Reuben Stratton's scrip was issued. It was then, and is now, a farming community, located on Ridge Road (present day County Route 543) between Pemberton Road (Route 616) and Onga Hat Road (Route 642). "Around the town is one of the most fertile farming sections of Burlington County, of which it is partially the centre of trade and repairs," wrote Woodward.



The Buddtown United Methodist Church building is still in use today, but nothing remains of Stratton's store. What kind of store was it? Census records state that Stratton, a native New Jerseyan, was a tailor. In 1860 he was 33 years old and resided with William H. and Eliza Budd, probably descendants of the original settler Thomas Budd. Ten years later, Stratton had taken a wife, Mary, and had two daughters, Anna, 7, and Ella, 1. His house was assessed for \$1,000 and he rented rooms to a family of 3.

The two notes shown here are unlisted in Wait and are the only ones known today. Is anyone surprised? The tall ships on them are picturesque but would never have made it up Stop the Jade Creek.

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 I would like to acknowledge the assistance of Margaret A. Frame, Librarian, Burlington County Historical Society.

ALTHOUGH NYC SUBWAY SYSTEM BEGAN IN 1904 - TOKENS DIDN'T APPEAR UNTIL 1953!

by Jim Majoros

The New York City Subway system opened in October 1904 with a 9.1 mile route beginning at City Hall to Times Square to 145th Street. The first day all rides were free, but after that, the ride was a nickel. The most used nickel for the ride was the Liberty Head nickel that the U.S. Mint began to strike in 1883, the infamous year of that particular coin due to the word "cents" not appearing on the coin and some of the coins were gold-plated & passed for five dollars. The Mint corrected the faux pas and later in the year added cents to the newly struck nickels.

Riders also would have used the Shield Type nickels which were last struck in 1883 and would have only been 21 years since the Liberty Head being struck. In those times, there were few coin collectors, consequently, obsolete coins were not hoarded as some would be today. The buffalo nickel was not struck until 1913 so we know they were not around in 1904.

Riders such as Arno Safran's grandfather used the Liberty Head nickels when he used the subway. One of Arno's many eloquent and polished presentations was just that theme, "Coins My Grandfather Used." It included slides of the New York subways and locations where he had lived.

The subway is now 100 historical years old and covers a wide range of memories such as the elimination of the horse-car line and a woman subway train conductor being hired in 1917 due to WW I drafting the men into the Army. Baseball was part of the subway as it is today. In 1921, the Giants defeated the Yankees in the first ever "subway series." Twelve more followed.

The first fare hike to 10 cents came in 1948 and only five years later, in 1953, the fare jumped to 15 cents and for the first time, the city introduced a token to replace the coins. The tokens were dime size with a Y-shaped cutout. Another fare increase didn't take place until 1966, when the cost of a ride rose to 20 cents. Fares were hiked rapidly since then - gradually increasing to \$2 in 2003.

There were six different subway tokens in the city spanning 50 years of use. With the fare hike in 1953 to 15 cents, the turnstiles could accept a nickel, then with the hike to ten cents could accept a dime, however, it could not accept both coins simultaneously. Tokens would be the answer and transit authority personnel visited the U.S. Mint in Philadelphia requesting they produce them for the city. Mint authorities declined with the reason that it wasn't the federal government's job to mint tokens for a state agency. Finally, a trio of private firms were hired to produce the transit tokens.

The first token was a bit smaller than a dime; the Y in the NYC was cut out, so you could tell it by feel from the other coins in your pocket. The token was used until 1970, when an identically designed, but larger token was introduced. The big Y cutout was replaced by a solid brass coin in 1980 with a so called "bullseye" token in 1986 which had a small circular steel center. Reasons for the variety of cutouts was to fight off the use of slugs, which were getting more use year after year. The final token was issued in 1995 and the cutout was in the shape of a pentagon designed for the 5 city boroughs.

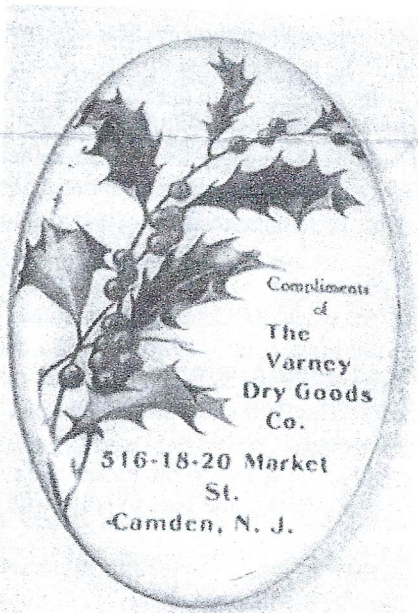
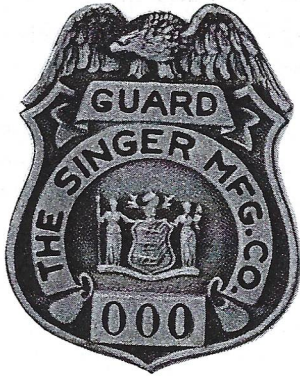
About 40 years ago, authorities were discussing eliminating the token and return to the nickel and dime use, but when the Authority Chairman was approached on the subject, he rejected the idea soundly with the comment, "No way, we've got 30 or 40 million of the tokens."

In the mid-nineties, tokens, as well as coins had they been in use, were beginning to feel the approach of additional sophistication with the cardboard MetroCard. Last year was the demise of the NYC Subway token. When it was taken out of service, there were forty-five million of them left over. A New Jersey scrap dealer had the honor of dumping them in their inferno for recycling to be used in making parts of aircraft, cars, computers, etc.

New York City subway tokens were used when Nancy Drew, the Hardy Boys, Laurel and Hardy, Howdy Dowdy, the Lone Ranger and The Shadow covered the airways, the comics and the movies. Maybe some of you still have your erector sets, left over green stamps and of course a Studebaker may have been in your garage.



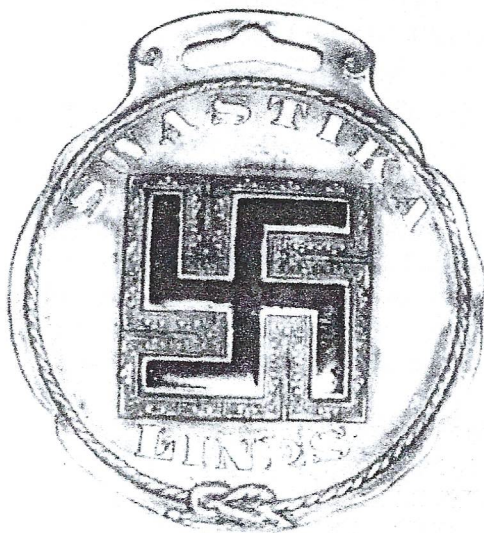
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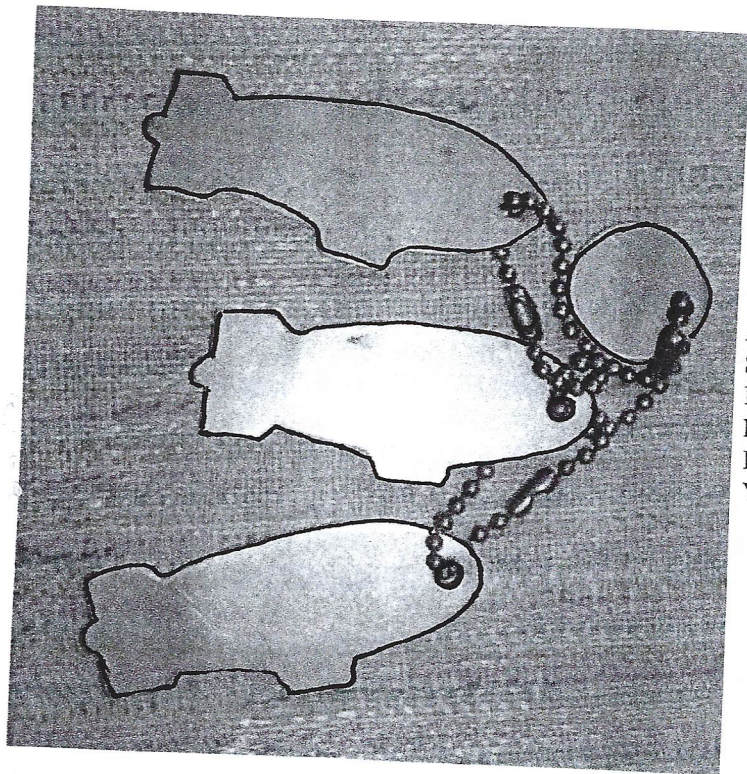
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